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KY State Reformatory Hosts Emergency Squad Training

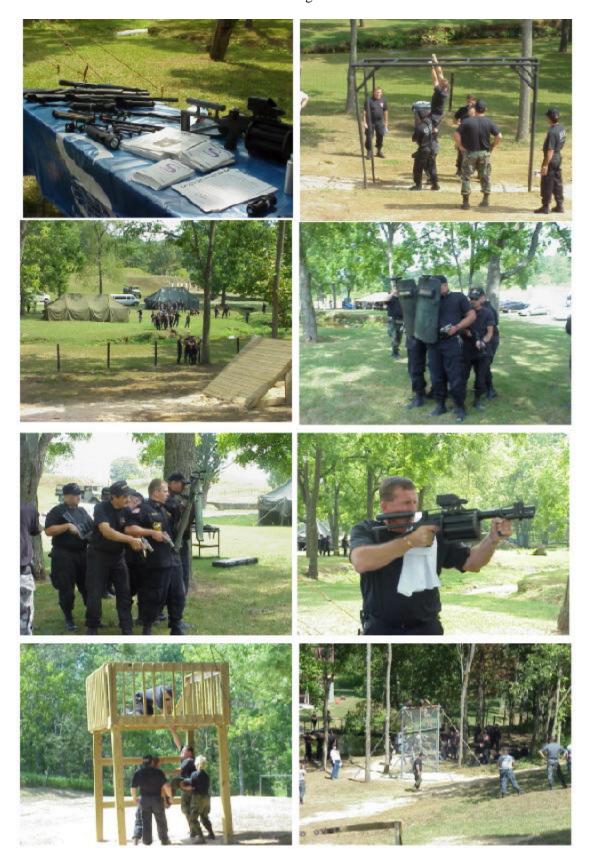
LaGrange, KY (August 16, 1999) --The Kentucky State Reformatory (KRS) will host the 1999 Emergency Squad Training Session this coming weekend between August 20-22, 1999. The Emergency Squad Training Session s not only a time of improvement and skill development but is an opportunity to maintain and improve communication between the various agencies that participates in these activities.

The Federal Bureau of Prisons Special Response Team, the Kentucky State Police Special Response Team, the Kentucky National Guard, and emergency squads from all of the Kentucky Department of Corrections facilities will participate in this event. The Emergency Squad Training will held in LaGrange on the grounds of the Kentucky State Reformatory, Roederer Correctional Complex, and the Luther Luckett Correctional Complex. The staging area for this entire event will be held on the Oldham County Fairgrounds.

On the evening of Saturday, August 21, 1999 between the hours of 4 p.m. to 12 a.m., a mock scenario will be conducted to improve team response to escapes and hostage situations. The KSR Ambulance will be making runs between the firing range located on Bennett Land and Tri-County Baptist Hospital. Roadblocks will be established at the intersection of Fendley Road and Bennett Road and at the intersection of Bennett Road and Dawkins School Road. The Kentucky National Guard will utilize two helicopters for this scenario – an UH-60 Blackhawk, which is a medium lift cargo helicopter and an OH-58 Kiowa, which is a recognizant and surveillance helicopter.

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